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***If the training is easy
the match will be hard,
but if the training is
hard the match will be
easy.***

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Match summary

There were no matches this week as the club graded tournament used all the court space. Next weekend we have a full programme of matches though.

National circuit results

Lila Dundas and Sebastian Grove both entered the BE U13 Gold tournament in Milton Keynes at the weekend. Lila reached the semi-final of the girls' singles event, while Sebastian reached the boys' doubles semi-final. Playing together, they also reached the semi-final of the mixed event.

Vinay Rajen, as long ago as 24 February, played in the BE U13 Essex Bronze tournament. He reached the semi-final of the boys' singles event and was runner-up in the doubles.

Please everyone, I need to receive news when it is still news and before it passes into history, which means the weekend it happens, and in time to go into the Tuesday evening newsletter. Please send it to me by Monday evening so that I have time to write it up before publication.

County representation

Dominic Nabasa played for the U16 Surrey 1st team against Sussex in the Shires League on Saturday.

Surrey tournaments

Surrey held its restricted U12 & U16 doubles tournaments this weekend, as well as its U14 singles events, all at Epsom.

Dominic Nabasa won the boys' U16 doubles A grade and Leah Naish won the U12 A grade girls' doubles.

Matthew Barnfield was U12 A grade doubles runner-up and, playing with Isabelle Pun Lai Yuen, was U12 mixed A grade runner-up.

Jacob Sheffield won the U14 grade B boys' singles and Ben Hazevoet reached the quarter-final.

Swifts graded singles

This Saturday saw the first weekend of our fourteenth annual graded tournament, with the singles event being held. The full results, along with photographs of those who won medals, can be found later in the newsletter but the summary results are:

Event	Winner	Runner-up
Boys' grade A	Christopher Chong	Soon Hau Fun
Boys' grade B	William Dack	William Salt
Boys' grade C	Matthew Grove	Matthew Barnfield
Boys' grade D	Ben Ford	Nathan Gibson
Boys' grade E	Yee Kye Wang	Kartikey Sarin
Boys' grade F	Leo Desai	Fraser Childs
Unisex grade G	Leo Robson-Sankey	Jimmy Brazendale
Girls' grade A	Serena Farrelly	Lily Clark
Girls' grade B	Paige Daniel	Anuva Padhy
Girls' grade C	Holly Ranson	Amelia Sheffield
Girls' grade D	Jessica Addy	Annabella Salt
Girls' grade E	Radhika Shah	Xiao Qing Tung

The total entry of 41 girls meant that this tournament had the largest girls' entry ever for a Swifts tournament, and it was also the first time the female entry has ever exceeded the male entry (which was 40 boys).

We play the doubles events on 24 March, and a briefing will go out next Tuesday with next week's newsletter.

Pictures from the weekend



From top to bottom:

Lila Dundas & Sebastian Grove

Matthew Barnfield & Isabelle Pun Lai Yuen

Jacob Sheffield

Vinay Rajen

Swifts graded singles results

UNISEX GRADE G SINGLES

Group A									
Player	Pos	Krishika Sarin	Sally Grove	Arthur Johnson	Jimmy Brazendale	Udita Sharma	Leo Robson-Sankey	Mia Perrella	Veda Pabisetty
Krishika Sarin			9	6	2	2	3	4	8
Sally Grove	4	11		7	2	11	4	11	11
Arthur Johnson	3	11	11		1	11	11	11	11
Jimmy Brazendale	2	11	11	11		11	10	11	11
Udita Sharma		11	5	3	5		10	7	10
Leo Robson-Sankey	1	11	11	10	11	11		11	11
Mia Perrella		11	8	10	5	11	3		11
Veda Pabisetty		11	3	4	2	11	2	9	



Leo Robson-Sankey & Jimmy Brazendale

As can be seen above, there were an awful lot of matches that were decided by a single point, and a three-way tie at the top, yet the biggest win stopped a player who didn't win a medal, Arthur, from being undefeated throughout. How strange!

Swifts graded singles results

GRADE F BOYS' SINGLES							
Group A							
Player	Pos	Toby Gibson	Joshua Ford	Leo Desai	Shaurya Chhabra	Fraser Childs	Christian Jeremiah
Toby Gibson	3		11	2	11	8	11
Joshua Ford		4		1	1	4	11
Leo Desai	1	11	11		11	11	11
Shaurya Chhabra	4	8	11	3		10	11
Fraser Childs	2	11	11	1	11		11
Christian Jeremiah		8	9	4	5	4	



Leo Desai & Fraser Childs

If Shaurya could have just scored that last point when the score was 10-10 against Fraser he would have taken the silver medal.

Swifts graded singles results

GRADE E GIRLS' SINGLES							
Group A							
Player	Pos	Sarah Devapragasam	Natalie Wang	Xiao Qing Tung	Radhika Shah	Xiao Tian Tung	Rishona Vikram
Sarah Devapragasam	3		11	7	10	11	11
Natalie Wang		2		3	3	5	11
Xiao Qing Tung	2	11	11		10	11	11
Radhika Shah	1	11	11	11		11	11
Xiao Tian Tung	4	6	11	7	8		11
Rishona Vikram		7	10	1	10	6	



Xiao Qing Tung & Radhika Shah

Three competitors came within one point of defeating the eventual unbeaten winner. Had all the 11-10 victories gone the other way, Radhika would have finished fifth and the last-placed competitor would have been placed above her. Such is the importance of holding your nerve when the score is tight.

Swifts graded singles results

BOYS' GRADE E SINGLES						
Group A						
Player	Pos	Jack Blackman	Yee Kye Wang	Kartikey Sarin	Aaron Zhou	Yicheng Lim
Jack Blackman	3		21	6	21	21
Yee Kye Wang	1	20		21	21	21
Kartikey Sarin	2	21	6		21	21
Aaron Zhou		20	7	12		21
Yicheng Lim		17	10	11	20	



Yee Kye Wang & Kartikey Sarin

A player dropped out through illness and this group found themselves playing to 21 points instead of 15.

Inevitably there was a three-way tie at the top and the medals were decided by a single rally. Jack was able to console himself by the thought that he beat the eventual winner and was only beaten once himself.

Swifts graded singles results

GIRLS' GRADE D SINGLES

Group A									
Player	Pos	Emma Ranson	Asmita Anand	Millie Thompson	Jessica Addy	Lara Hodgson	Annabella Salt	Abigail Barnfield	Sara Kulkarni
Emma Ranson	4		15	15	7	15	15	14	13
Asmita Anand		4		5	3	11	8	3	8
Millie Thompson		8	15		4	12	8	5	8
Jessica Addy	1	15	15	15		15	15	15	15
Lara Hodgson	5	5	15	15	9		9	8	15
Annabella Salt	2	14	15	15	7	15		15	15
Abigail Barnfield	3	15	15	15	8	15	7		15
Sara Kulkarni		15	15	15	9	14	7	9	



Jessica Addy & Annabella Salt

While Jessica won all her games, everyone else lost at least two so we had more ties to resolve in this section before we could award the medals.

Swifts graded singles results

BOYS' GRADE D SINGLES								
Group A								
Player	Pos	Nathan Gibson	Ben Ford	Jonathan Lai	Ben Hazevoet	James Warne	Liam O'Hara	Bradley Mayuga
Nathan Gibson	2		13	15	15	15	15	15
Ben Ford	1	15		15	13	15	15	15
Jonathan Lai	3	14	10		15	15	15	15
Ben Hazevoet	4	2	15	9		15	15	15
James Warne		14	4	7	13		10	14
Liam O'Hara		1	3	13	11	15		15
Bradley Mayuga		11	6	4	12	15	13	



Ben Ford & Nathan Gibson

Nobody remained unbeaten in this group and even the last-placed competitor came very close to winning three games., two of them against top four players, so it seems to have been closely fought and open.

Swifts graded singles results

GIRLS' GRADE C SINGLES

Group A									
Player	Pos	Temisha Veeramootoo	Amelia Wells	Sandhya Jaikumar	Isabelle Pun Lai Yuen	Amelia Sheffield	Holly Ranson	Ruby Clark	Leah Naish
Temisha Veeramootoo			2	15	w/o	8	2	11	12
Amelia Wells	4	15		15	w/o	9	7	12	15
Sandhya Jaikumar		8	5		5	10	3	6	11
Isabelle Pun Lai Yuen		w/d	w/d	15		w/d	w/d	w/d	w/d
Amelia Sheffield	2	15	15	15	w/o		14	15	15
Holly Ranson	1	15	15	15	w/o	15		15	15
Ruby Clark	3	15	15	15	w/o	7	7		12
Leah Naish		13	13	15	w/o	13	3	15	



Amelia Sheffield & Holly Ranson

Isabelle had to drop out early with a minor injury (though judging by her results at Epsom on Sunday she seems to have recovered quickly).

The final order was one of several that rested on a single rubber that finished 15-14, and there was also a tie for third place.

Swifts graded singles results

BOYS' GRADE C SINGLES

Group A										
Player	Pos	James Tyler	Timothy Canning	Matthew Barnfield	Matthew Grove	Vinay Rajen	Izaak Mayuga	Kain Rafter	Kyle Fergusson	Raghav Jaikumar
James Tyler			12	4	15	9	4	15	15	15
Timothy Canning		15		4	11	13	11	15	15	15
Matthew Barnfield	2	15	15		13	15	15	15	15	15
Matthew Grove	1	13	15	15		15	15	15	15	15
Vinay Rajen	3	15	15	13	11		15	15	15	15
Izaak Mayuga	4	15	15	13	12	8		15	15	15
Kain Rafter		11	13	4	14	7	11		13	15
Kyle Fergusson		13	13	6	10	9	9	15		15
Raghav Jaikumar		11	10	5	8	13	8	11	9	



Matthew Barnfield & Matthew Grove

This was one of the largest groups and every competitor had to play eight matches; most were closely, and keenly, contested.

The youngest player did well to finish third, and the result was in doubt until the final rallies of the final match.

Swifts graded singles results

GIRLS' GRADE B DOUBLES								
Group A								
Player	Pos	Jessica Pun Lai Yuen	Annabelle Atkins	Abbie Coleman	Anuva Padhy	Lottie Sweby	Paige Daniel	Charlotte Addy
Jessica Pun Lai Yuen			15	15	7	9	7	9
Annabelle Atkins		8		15	8	6	2	3
Abbie Coleman		8	13		5	12	4	2
Anuva Padhy	2	15	15	15		15	13	15
Lottie Sweby	3	15	15	15	13		4	15
Paige Daniel	1	15	15	15	15	15		11
Charlotte Addy	4	15	15	15	12	14	15	



Anuva Padhy & Paige Daniel

A tight result, this one. If Charlotte had managed that final point against Lottie she would have been catapulted up from fourth place to second, and Anuva would have won.

Swifts graded singles results

BOYS' GRADE B SINGLES

Group A								
Player	Pos	Jacob Sheffield	Matthew Lister	William Dack	Oliver Dunford	Cameron Warne	John Canning	William Salt
Jacob Sheffield	3		15	13	13	15	15	14
Matthew Lister	4	9		15	15	9	15	11
William Dack	1	15	13		15	15	15	15
Oliver Dunford		15	13	4		13	15	14
Cameron Warne		0	15	5	15		9	13
John Canning		3	14	5	13	15		8
William Salt	2	15	5	14	15	15	15	



William Salt & William Dack

This was a group of ties and close games and was resolved in favour of one William by virtue of his one point win over the other. Cameron discovered how a long lay-off dedicated to school work can affect your form, while Ollie did remarkably well considering he was not at all well and probably should not have been playing.

Swifts graded singles results

GIRLS' GRADE A SINGLES

Group A								
Player	Pos	Phoebe Ridsdill-Smith	Ruth Devapragasam	Jessica Walker	Katie Remment	Ellie Walker	Serena Farrelly	Lily Clark
Phoebe Ridsdill-Smith			6	18	21	17	6	7
Ruth Devapragasam	3	21		21	21	21	12	14
Jessica Walker	4	21	7		21	21	6	16
Katie Remment		18	10	9		21	10	4
Ellie Walker		21	3	10	16		4	4
Serena Farrelly	1	21	21	21	21	21		21
Lily Clark	2	21	21	21	21	21	6	



Lily Clark & Serena Farrelly

Serena overcame everyone (and saved her best form'til the last match) to regain the title she won two years ago. Can she go on and equal the record by winning again? Only time will tell.

Swifts graded singles results

BOYS' GRADE A SINGLES				
Group A				
Player	Pos	Soon Hau Fun	Christopher Chong	Anish Goel
Soon Hau Fun	2		18 17 17	21 16 21
Christopher Chong	1	21 21 21		21 21 21
Anish Goel		12 21 13	16 17 18	



Christopher Chong & Soon Hau Fun

The sharp end of the competition gave us the smallest group—our strongest boys were largely out and about in the circuit and at county matches. Nevertheless they all knew they had been in a competition as they each played six games in seventy-five minutes and showed remarkable consistency. They are clearly all as fit as me!

Christopher became only the third player to retain his grade A crown in consecutive years. Can he equal the record of three in a row by